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Applicant: Akira Ishikawa et al.
Filed: June 26, 2000
Title: GATEWAY APPARATUS AND THE METHOD THEREOF
TC/A.U.: 2157
Examiner: Sahera Halim
Confirmation No.: 2691
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